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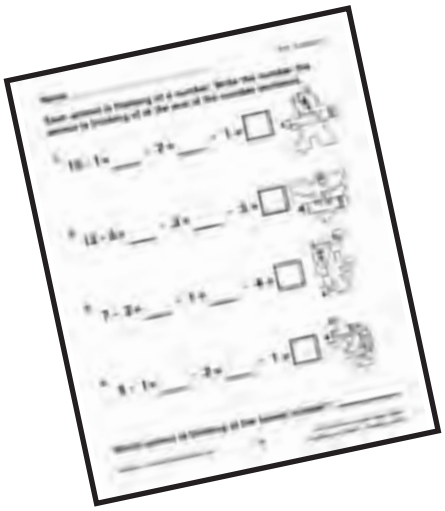

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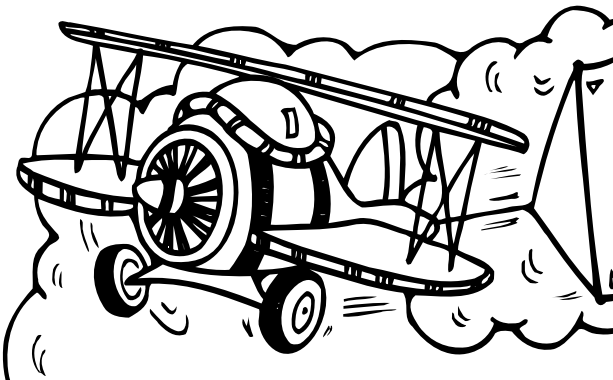

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Name_____ Skill: Addition

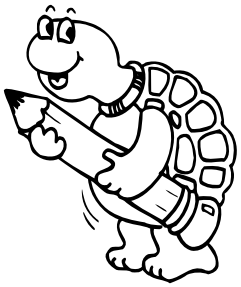
Each animal is thinking of a number. Write the number the animal is thinking of at the end of the number sentence.

1. **1 + 1 = ____ + 2 = ____ + 2 = ☐**

2. **5 + 1 = ____ + 3 = ____ + 3 = ☐**

3. **1 + 2 = ____ + 1 = ____ + 1 = ☐**

4. **7 + 2 = ____ + 2 = ____ + 4 = ☐**



Which animal is thinking of the highest number? _____

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Name_____ Skill: Addition

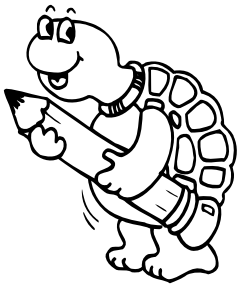
Each animal is thinking of a number. Write the number the animal is thinking of at the end of the number sentence.

1. **3 + 1 = ____ + 2 = ____ + 5 = ☐**

2. **2 + 0 = ____ + 3 = ____ + 4 = ☐**

3. **6 + 1 = ____ + 1 = ____ + 5 = ☐**

4. **4 + 1 = ____ + 2 = ____ + 3 = ☐**



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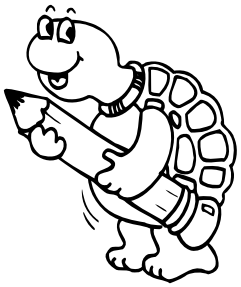
1. **3 + 0 = ____ + 2 = ____ + 2 = ☐**

2. **2 + 2 = ____ + 2 = ____ + 2 = ☐**

3. **5 + 1 = ____ + 5 = ____ + 3 = ☐**

4. **4 + 1 = ____ + 3 = ____ + 2 = ☐**



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Name_____ Skill: Subtraction

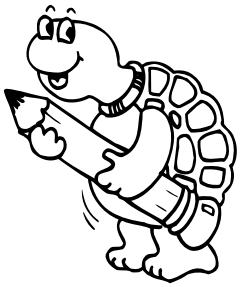
Each animal is thinking of a number. Write the number the animal is thinking of at the end of the number sentence.

1. **10 - 1 = ____ - 2 = ____ - 1 = ☐**

2. **12 - 5 = ____ - 3 = ____ - 3 = ☐**

3. **7 - 2 = ____ - 1 = ____ - 4 = ☐**

4. **5 - 1 = ____ - 2 = ____ - 1 = ☐**



Which animal is thinking of the lowest number? _____

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Name_____ Skill: Subtraction

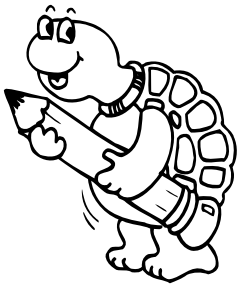
Each animal is thinking of a number. Write the number the animal is thinking of at the end of the number sentence.

1. **8 - 2 = ____ - 3 = ____ - 1 = ☐**

2. **11 - 2 = ____ - 2 = ____ - 2 = ☐**

3. **9 - 1 = ____ - 4 = ____ - 1 = ☐**

4. **14 - 4 = ____ - 2 = ____ - 2 = ☐**



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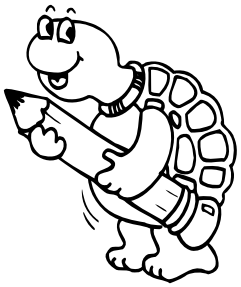
1. **13 - 2 = ____ - 4 = ____ - 3 = ☐**

2. **6 - 1 = ____ - 1 = ____ - 1 = ☐**

3. **15 - 6 = ____ - 3 = ____ - 0 = ☐**

4. **10 - 3 = ____ - 2 = ____ - 3 = ☐**



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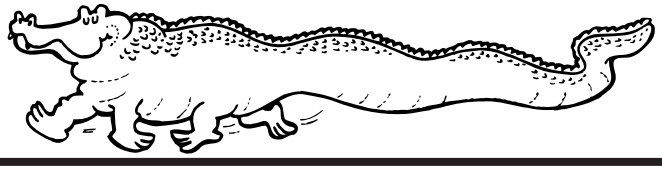
Name_____ Skill: Addition and comparing sums

Compare the sums of the addition problems in each box. Circle the sum that is larger. If they are equal, circle both sums.



2 + 4 ____ 4 + 5 ____	3 + 3 ____ 4 + 4 ____
3 + 6 ____ 5 + 1 ____	2 + 5 ____ 6 + 3 ____
4 + 1 ____ 7 + 2 ____	4 + 2 ____ 5 + 1 ____
2 + 8 ____ 7 + 4 ____	3 + 4 ____ 7 + 6 ____

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Name_____

Skill: Addition and comparing sums

Compare the sums of the addition problems in each box. Circle the sum that is larger. If they are equal, circle both sums.

2 + 9 = _____ 5 + 4 = _____	1 + 3 = _____ 4 + 6 = _____
3 + 1 = _____ 2 + 2 = _____	2 + 3 = _____ 6 + 1 = _____
1 + 1 = _____ 5 + 6 = _____	3 + 5 = _____ 4 + 4 = _____
3 + 9 = _____ 7 + 1 = _____	2 + 7 = _____ 4 + 7 = _____

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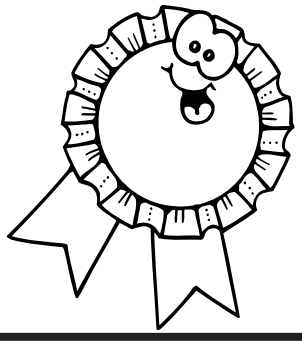
Skill: Addition and comparing sums



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1 + 2 5 + 2	2 + 6 6 + 2
3 + 2 6 + 4	3 + 7 4 + 8
4 + 3 5 + 3	1 + 4 7 + 3
2 + 10 7 + 5	3 + 8 5 + 7

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Name_____ Skill: Subtraction and comparing differences

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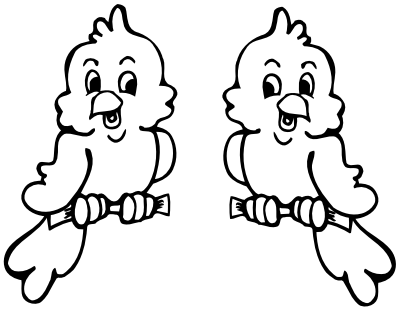

10 - 1 = _____ 6 - 1 = _____	9 - 7 = _____ 7 - 7 = _____
9 - 5 = _____ 5 - 3 = _____	10 - 2 = _____ 8 - 7 = _____
7 - 6 = _____ 4 - 3 = _____	9 - 2 = _____ 7 - 2 = _____
10 - 6 = _____ 3 - 2 = _____	8 - 1 = _____ 9 - 9 = _____

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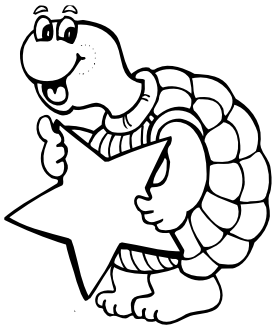

Compare the differences of the subtraction problems in each box. Circle the difference that is smaller. If the differences are equal, circle both of them.

10 - 5 4 - 2	10 - 9 8 - 2
6 - 2 9 - 6	4 - 4 3 - 3
7 - 4 8 - 3	8 - 4 5 - 2
5 - 4 9 - 4	10 - 4 7 - 3

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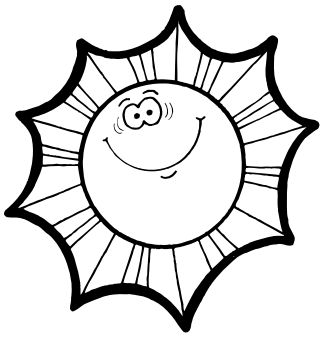

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6 - 5 3 - 1	10 - 8 5 - 3
10 - 3 5 - 5	4 - 1 7 - 6
9 - 8 8 - 6	10 - 7 9 - 3
8 - 5 6 - 4	7 - 5 5 - 1

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Name_____ Skill: Place value

Start with the circled number. Fill in the blank with the correct number for each question.

1. (125)

What number is 10 more? _____

What number is 1 less? _____

What number is 100 more? _____

2. (352)

What number is 1 more? _____

What number is 10 less? _____

What number is 10 more? _____

3. (675)

What number is 100 more? _____

What number is 100 less? _____

What number is 1 more? _____

4. (892)

What number is 1 more? _____

What number is 10 less? _____

What number is 100 more? _____

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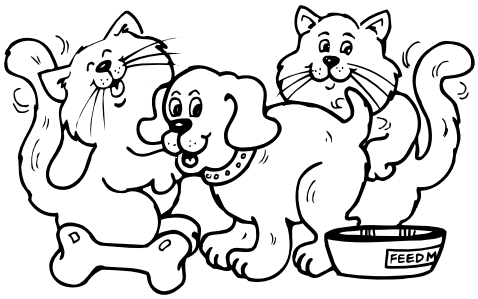
Name_____ Skill: Place value

Start with the circled number. Fill in the blank with the correct number for each question.



1. (236)

What number is 100 more? _____

What number is 10 less? _____

What number is 100 less? _____

2. (175)

What number is 1 less? _____

What number is 100 less? _____

What number is 10 more? _____

3. (222)

What number is 1 more? _____

What number is 1 less? _____

What number is 10 more? _____

4. (313)

What number is 10 more? _____

What number is 10 less? _____

What number is 100 more? _____

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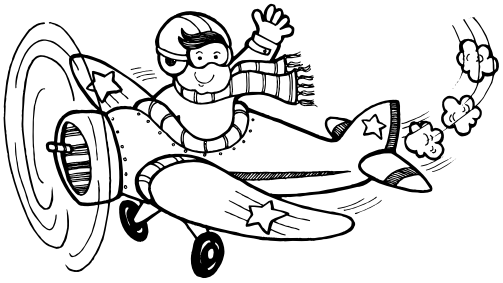

1. (462)

What number is 1 more? _____

What number is 10 less? _____

What number is 100 less? _____

2. (118)

What number is 1 more? _____

What number is 10 more? _____

What number is 100 more? _____

3. (510)

What number is 1 less? _____

What number is 10 less? _____

What number is 100 less? _____

4. (52)

What number is 100 more? _____

What number is 1 less? _____

What number is 10 more? _____

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Name_____ Skill: Place value

Read each sentence and give the correct number.

1. What number has:

6 in the hundreds place

1 in the tens place

4 in the ones place

H T O

2. What number has:

3 in the ones place

2 in the hundreds place

5 in the tens place

H T O

3. What number has:

0 in the tens place

2 in the ones place

8 in the hundreds place

H T O

4. What number has:

2 in the tens place

5 in the hundreds place

7 in the ones place

H T O

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Name_____ Skill: Place value

Read each sentence and give the correct number.

1. What number has:

2 in the tens place

7 in the ones place

3 in the hundreds place

___ ___ ___
H T O

2. What number has:

1 in the hundreds place

0 in the tens place

4 in the ones place

___ ___ ___
H T O

3. What number has:

4 in the hundreds place

5 in the tens place

6 in the ones place

___ ___ ___
H T O

4. What number has:

1 in the ones place

3 in the tens place

7 in the hundreds place

___ ___ ___
H T O

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Name_____

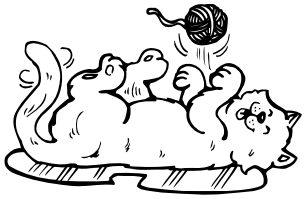
Skill: Word problems

Read the sentences and answer the questions.

Sandra picked 12 flowers. She gave 5 of them to Nancy .

1. How many flowers did Sandra pick? _____
2. How many flowers did Sandra have left? _____
3. How many flowers did Sandra give to Nancy? _____
4. If Nancy picks 3 more flowers, how many will she have then? _____

Jim has 3 gray cats, 2 white cats, and 4 black cats.



1. How many cats does Jim have in all? _____
2. If Jim had 2 more white cats, how many white cats would he have in all? _____
3. If Jim gives away 3 cats, how many cats will he have left? _____
4. How many more black cats than gray cats does Jim have? _____

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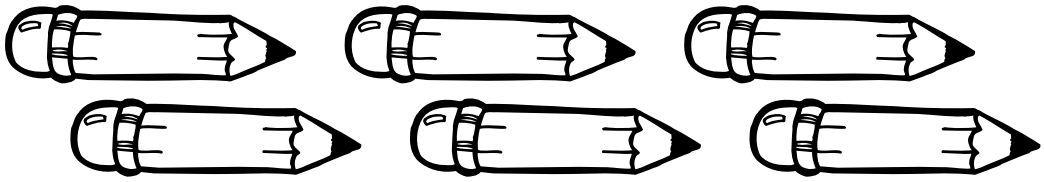
Name_____

Skill: Word problems

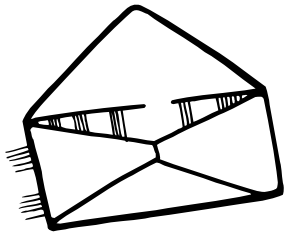
Read the sentences and answer the questions.

Frank has 6 red pencils, 2 blue pencils, and 5 yellow pencils.



1. **How many pencils does Frank have in all?** _____
2. **If Frank gives 4 pencils away, how many will he have left?** _____
3. **Joe has 15 pencils. Who has more pencils, Frank or Joe?** _____
4. **How many red and blue pencils does Frank have in all?** _____

Stacy sent a lot of letters last summer.
She sent 3 letters to her grandmother.
She sent 4 letters to her aunt.
She sent 8 letters to her friend Dana.



1. **Who did Stacy send the most letters to?** _____
2. **If she had sent 2 letters to Gina, how many letters would she have sent in all?** _____
3. **If she had sent 5 less letters to Dana, how many letters would Dana have gotten?** _____
4. **How many more letters did Dana get than Stacy's aunt?** _____

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Name_____

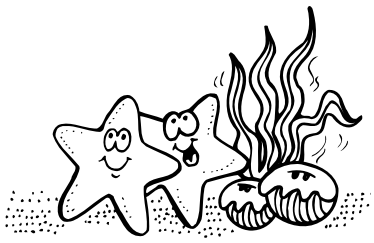
Skill: Word problems

Read the sentences and answer the questions.

Ann walked 6 blocks to the pet store. After that, she walked 3 more blocks to get to the playground. At the playground, she saw Jill, Betty, and Rita.

1. **How many blocks did Ann walk after she left the pet store?** _____
2. **Which place did Ann have to walk farther to get to?** _____
3. **How many people did Ann see at the playground?** _____
4. **How many blocks did Ann walk in all?** _____

Alex spent a lot of time at the beach last week. He found 6 rocks. He found 3 shells. He found 4 cans.



1. **How many things did Alex find in all?** _____
2. **If Alex gives 5 rocks to his sister, how many rocks will he have left?** _____
3. **How many shells will Alex have if he finds 6 more next week?** _____
4. **If Alex wants to have 10 rocks in all, how many more does he need to find?** _____

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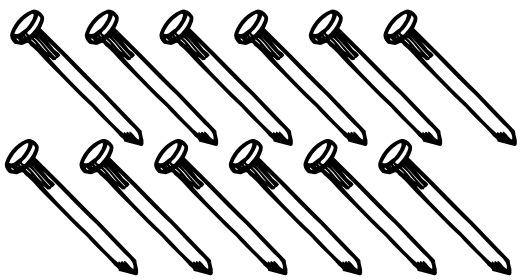
Name_____

Skill: Word problems

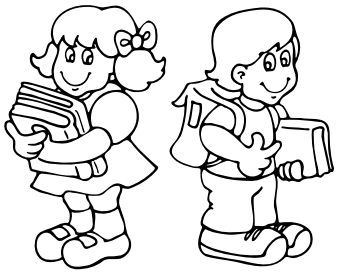
Read the sentences and answer the questions.

Kara wants to build a tree house. She needs 12 nails. She found 3 nails in a bucket. She found 2 nails in a box. She found 4 more nails by a tree.



1. **Does Kara have enough nails to build the tree house?** _____
2. **How many more nails does Kara need?** _____
3. **Where did Kara find the most nails?** _____
4. **If Kara needed 16 nails to build the tree house, how many more nails would she need?** _____

The first grade class at our school has 10 boys and 6 girls.



1. **How many students are there in all in our class?** _____
2. **If 5 more students join us during the year , how many students will be in our class in all?** _____
3. **If 2 girls and 3 boys stay home one day , how many students will be in class that day?** _____
4. **Are there more boys or girls in our class?** _____

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Name_____

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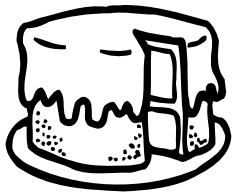
Read the sentences and answer the questions.

Karen baked a cake last night. She had 20 pieces of cake in all. She gave 3 pieces to her mother. She gave 6 pieces to her father. She gave 4 pieces to her brother.



1. **How many pieces of cake did Karen give away?** _____
2. **How many pieces of cake did Karen have left?** _____
3. **If she gave 2 more pieces of cake to her mother, how many pieces of cake would her mother have?** _____
4. **How many people did Karen give pieces of cake to?** _____

Paul did many things this morning. He spent 5 minutes washing the dog, 10 minutes cleaning his room, and 6 minutes watering plants.

1. **How many minutes in all did Paul spend doing things this morning?** _____
2. **How many more minutes did Paul spend on cleaning his room than watering plants?** _____
3. **If Paul had spent 3 more minutes washing the dog, how many minutes would he have spent in all on washing the dog?** _____
4. **What job did Paul spend the most time on?** _____

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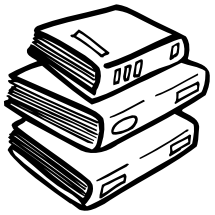
Name_____

Skill: Word problems

Read the sentences and answer the questions.

Ryan is always reading. Last month he read three books about cars, five books about mice, and three books about the sun.



1. **How many books did Ryan read in all last month?** _____
2. **Kevin read 12 books last month. Who read more books, Kevin or Ryan?** _____
3. **What two things did Ryan read the same number of books about?** _____
4. **How many books about cars and mice did Ryan read in all?** _____

Four of the students in our class are 7 years old. Eight of the students are 6 years old. The other two students are only 5 years old.

1. **How many students are in our class?** _____
2. **How many 5 year olds and seven year olds are there in all in our class?** _____
3. **Which age group has the most students?** _____
4. **Which age group has the least amount of students?** _____

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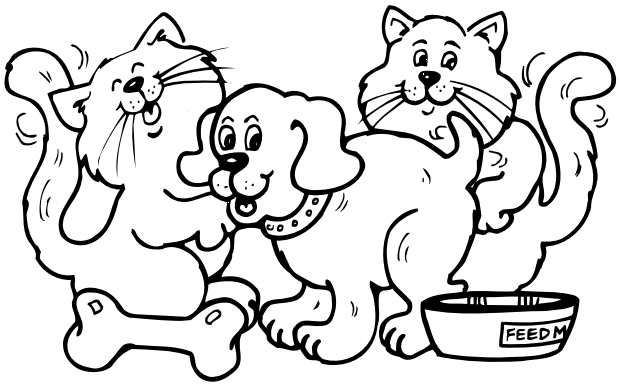
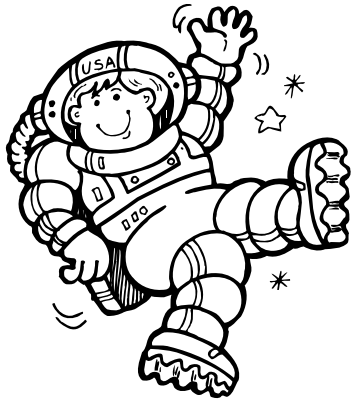
Skill: Finishing sentences

Look at each picture. Finish the two sentences that have been started about the picture.



My cats _____

My dog _____



I went _____

I saw _____

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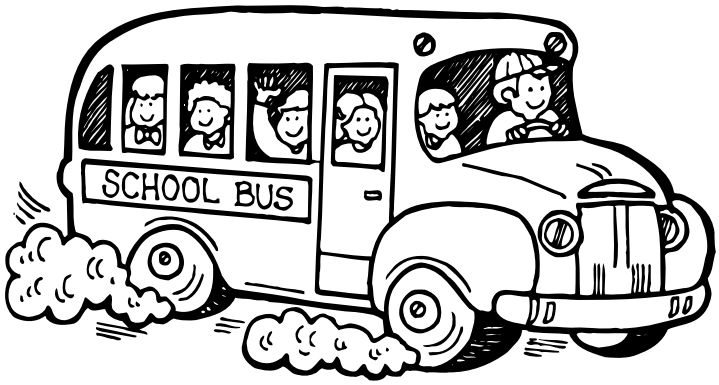
Skill: Finishing sentences

Look at each picture. Finish the two sentences that have been started about the picture.

Sally rode _____

A big frog _____



Here comes _____

I forgot _____

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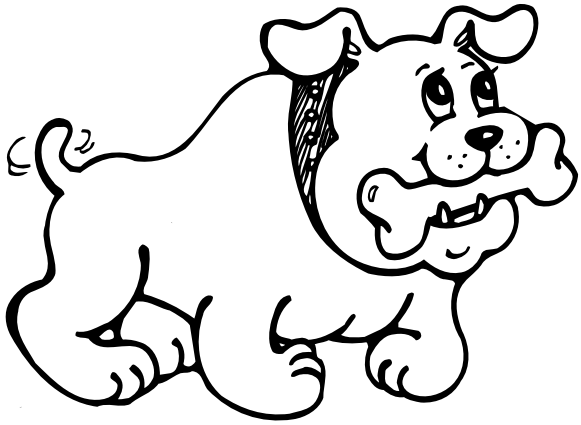
Skill: Finishing sentences

Look at each picture. Finish the two sentences that have been started about the picture.



Spot loves _____

Mark gives _____

My front yard _____

When I _____

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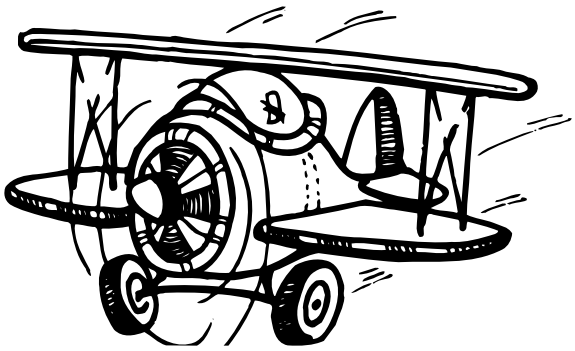
Name_____

Look at each picture. Finish the two sentences that have been started about the picture.



I want _____

My friends _____

Boo the bear _____

He never _____

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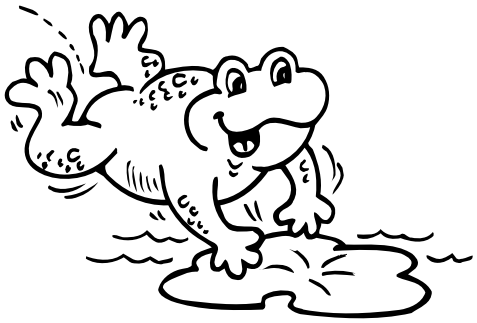
Name_____

Look at each picture. Finish the two sentences that have been started about the picture.

The sky _____

Then I _____



The frog jumped _____

Mom said _____

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Name_____

Skill: Drawing conclusions

Read the sentences in each box. Answer the question that follows the sentences.

I live at the zoo. **I have black stripes.** **I have white stripes.** **I am about the size of a horse.** **What animal am I?** _____	**I am something outside.** **I have a lot of branches.** **I have leaves.** **I can give you shade.** **What am I?** _____
I am in a building. **My teacher is here.** **There are many desks.** **My classmates are here too.** **Where am I?** _____	**I have many pages.** **There are words on my pages.** **You can learn things from me.** **You can read me.** **What am I?** _____

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Name_____

Skill: Drawing conclusions

Read the sentences in each box. Answer the question that follows the sentences.

I am in my bed. **All of the lights are out.** **Now I am dreaming.** **Soon I will wake up.** **What am I doing?** _____	**I live on a farm.** **I am an animal.** **I like to play in mud.** **I say "oink."** **What am I?** _____
I am something way up high. **I am smaller than the sun.** **You can see me at night.** **People from Earth come to visit me.** **What am I?** _____	**I have a big towel with me.** **I dry off with the towel.** **I see a diving board.** **I see a slide, too.** **Where am I?** _____

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Name_____ Skill: Drawing conclusions

Read the sentences in each box. Answer the question that follows the sentences.

I am not in school right now. **The weather is warm.** **I am going swimming.** **My birthday is in July, so it is this month.** **What time of year is it?** _____	**I just left my house.** **The wheels are turning.** **My feet are on the pedals.** **I am wearing my helmet.** **What am I doing?** _____
You can drink me. **I am good for your bones.** **I come from cows.** **I am white.** **What am I?** _____	**I am big and yellow.** **A lot of children ride in me.** **I have many windows.** **I can take you to school.** **What am I?** _____

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Name_____

Skill: Drawing conclusions

Read the sentences in each box. Answer the question that follows the sentences.

I wear a white coat. **You can come see me if you are sick.** **I will make you feel better.** **My nurse will help me.** **Who am I?** _____	**I am small.** **I am round and silver.** **You can buy things with me.** **I am worth ten cents.** **What am I?** _____
I am playing in the waves. **I made a sand castle.** **I have a raft with me.** **I found some seashells.** **Where am I?** _____	**The tub is full of water.** **I put soap all over myself.** **Shampoo is in my hair.** **I will dry off later.** **What am I doing?** _____

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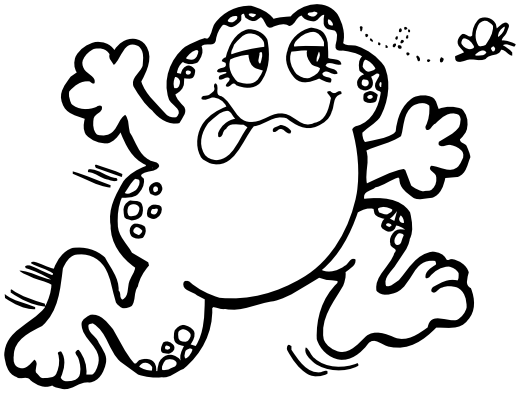
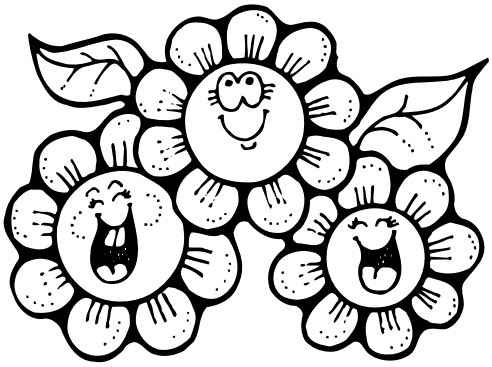
Name_____ Skill: Possible or not possible

Read each sentence. At the end of each sentence, circle true or false.





1.	A frog can run.	true	false
2.	You can ride in a car.	true	false
3.	You can sleep in a bed.	true	false
4.	Ducks say quack.	true	false
5.	Some apples are red.	true	false
6.	Bears drive cars.	true	false
7.	Flowers like to laugh.	true	false
8.	Some fish live in a bowl.	true	false
9.	No one likes Mondays.	true	false
10.	All dogs are brown.	true	false

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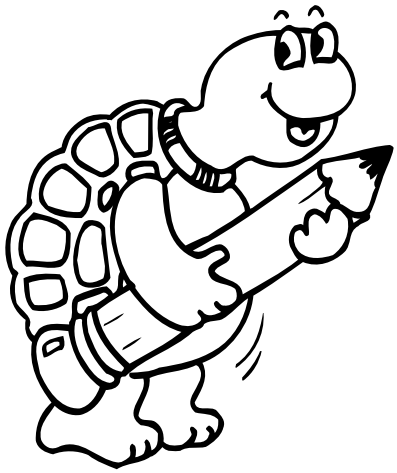
Name_____ Skill: Possible or not possible

Read each sentence. At the end of each sentence, circle true or false.



1.	Reading can be fun.	true	false
2.	Turtles can write.	true	false
3.	The moon is made of cheese.	true	false
4.	You can eat toast.	true	false
5.	Everyone loves pizza.	true	false
6.	Teachers work in schools.	true	false
7.	A fish can fly.	true	false
8.	Houses can jump.	true	false
9.	Clouds can smile.	true	false
10.	A rabbit can hop.	true	false

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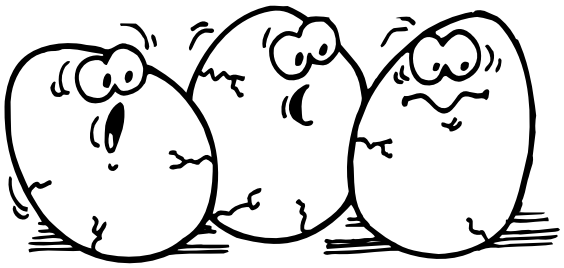

1.	A coat will keep you warm.	true	false
2.	It is fun to have a pet.	true	false
3.	Eggs get scared sometimes.	true	false
4.	Paper can laugh with you.	true	false
5.	A horse can sing.	true	false
6.	Ice is cold.	true	false
7.	We can touch the sun.	true	false
8.	You can write with a pencil.	true	false
9.	Bears can read.	true	false
10.	You can sit in a chair.	true	false

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Name_____ Skill: Possible or not possible

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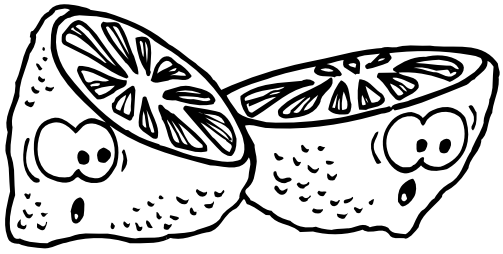

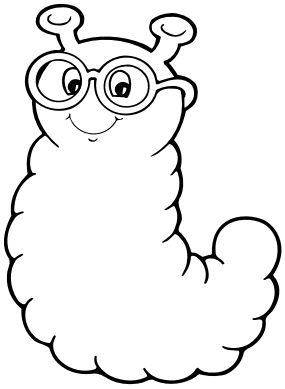

1.	Lemons get sad sometimes.	true	false
2.	We can see with our eyes.	true	false
3.	Worms can wear glasses.	true	false
4.	Some paper is yellow.	true	false
5.	Books are good to eat.	true	false
6.	Kites fly in the sky.	true	false
7.	Pigs like to fly.	true	false
8.	Dogs can drink water.	true	false
9.	Alligators can dance.	true	false
10.	You can eat an apple.	true	false

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Name_____ Skill: Word order

Unscramble the words to make a sentence. W rite the sentence on the line below the scrambled words.

1. saw I pond in a frog the

_____

2. jump to yard her in Mary likes rope

_____

3. I saw ghost a think I

_____

4. fish to big A me swam

_____

5. in A bird our sat tree

_____

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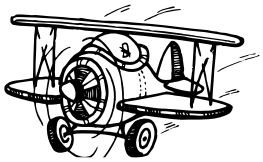
Name_____

Skill: Word order

Unscramble the words to make a sentence. W rite the sentence on the line below the scrambled words.

1. an sky the airplane saw in I



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2. ball it on stars My has

_____

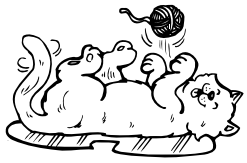
3. rain the play go to in want I

_____

4. caught huge the lake at a Mike fish

_____

5. with playing cat is yarn some That



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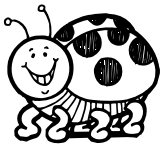
Name_____ Skill: Word order

Unscramble the words to make a sentence. W rite the sentence on the line below the scrambled words.

1. **hammer I nails need and a some**

_____

2. **back has spots on That bug his**



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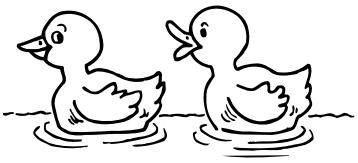
3. **swam in ducks T wo pond the**



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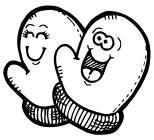
4. **hands kept mittens my warm The**



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5. **two times teeth your must brush You a day**

_____

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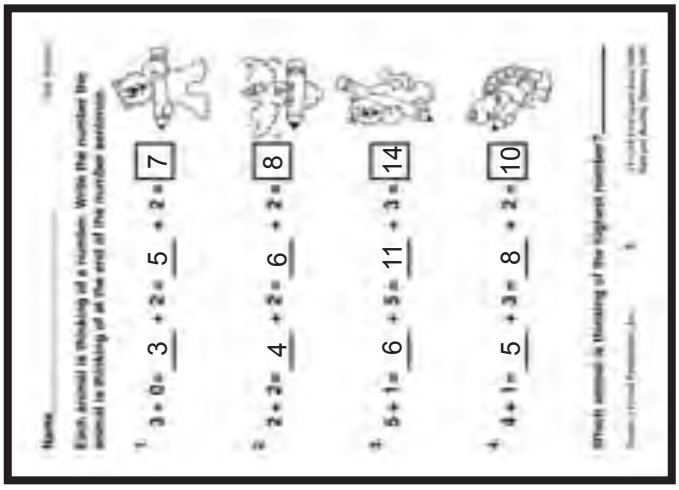

Name _____

Each animal is thinking of a number. Write the number the animal is thinking of at the end of the number sentence.

1. 3 + 0 = 3 + 2 = 5 + 2 = 7
2. 2 + 2 = 4 + 2 = 6 + 2 = 8
3. 5 + 1 = 6 + 5 = 11 + 3 = 14
4. 4 + 1 = 5 + 3 = 8 + 2 = 10

Which animal is thinking of the highest number? _____

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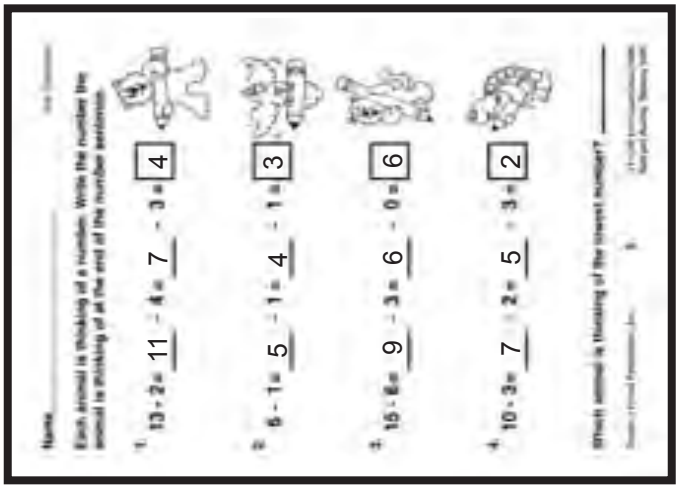

Name _____

Each animal is thinking of a number. Write the number the animal is thinking of at the end of the number sentence.

1. 13 - 2 = 11 - 4 = 7 - 3 = 4
2. 6 - 1 = 5 - 1 = 4 - 1 = 3
3. 15 - 6 = 9 - 3 = 6 - 0 = 6
4. 10 - 3 = 7 - 2 = 5 - 3 = 2

Which animal is thinking of the lowest number? _____

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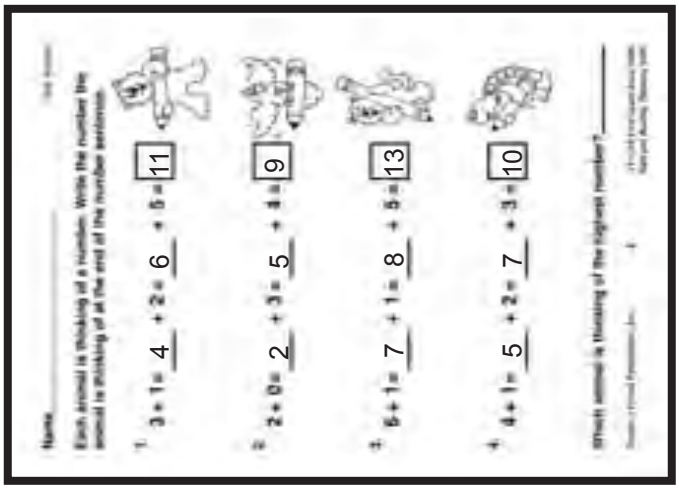

Name _____

Each animal is thinking of a number. Write the number the animal is thinking of at the end of the number sentence.

1. 3 + 1 = 4 + 2 = 6 + 5 = 11
2. 2 + 0 = 2 + 3 = 5 + 4 = 9
3. 6 + 1 = 7 + 1 = 8 + 5 = 13
4. 4 + 1 = 5 + 2 = 7 + 3 = 10

Which animal is thinking of the highest number? _____

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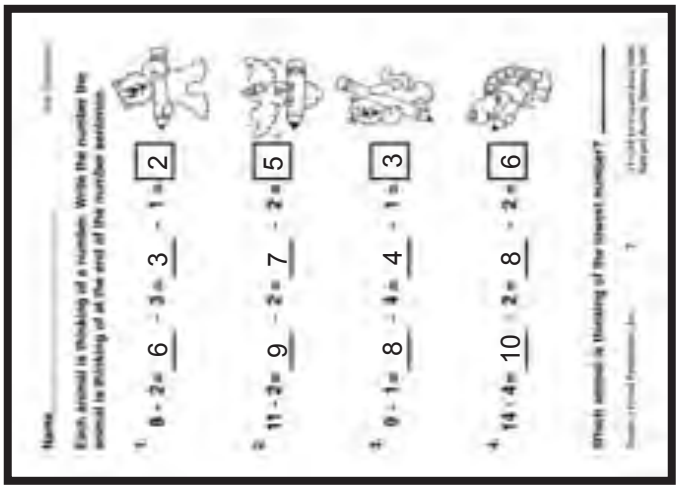

Name _____

Each animal is thinking of a number. Write the number the animal is thinking of at the end of the number sentence.

1. 8 - 2 = 6 - 3 = 3 - 1 = 2
2. 11 - 3 = 9 - 2 = 7 - 2 = 5
3. 9 - 1 = 8 - 4 = 4 - 1 = 3
4. 14 - 4 = 10 - 2 = 8 - 2 = 6

Which animal is thinking of the lowest number? _____

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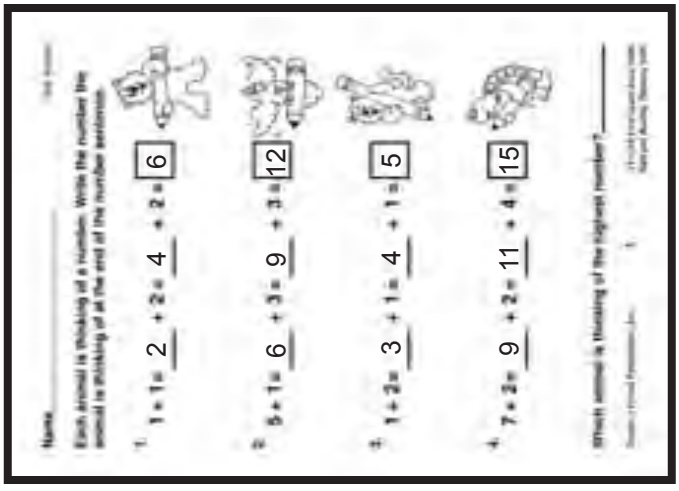

Name _____

Each animal is thinking of a number. Write the number the animal is thinking of at the end of the number sentence.

1. 1 + 1 = 2 + 2 = 4 + 2 = 6
2. 5 + 1 = 6 + 3 = 9 + 3 = 12
3. 1 + 2 = 3 + 1 = 4 + 1 = 5
4. 7 + 2 = 9 + 2 = 11 + 4 = 15

Which animal is thinking of the highest number? _____

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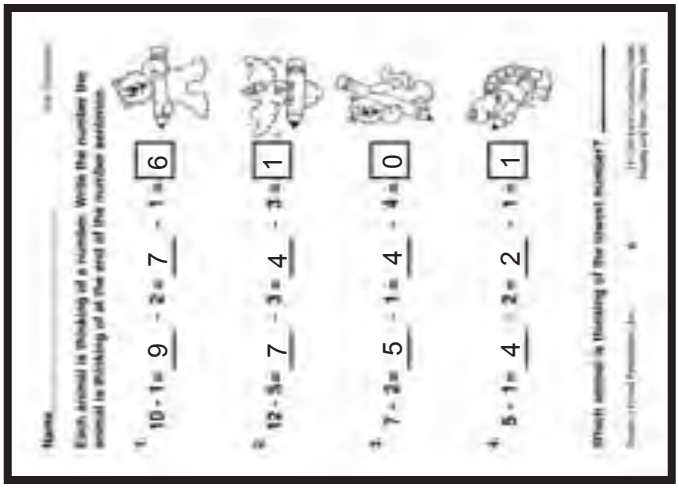

Name _____

Each animal is thinking of a number. Write the number the animal is thinking of at the end of the number sentence.

1. 10 - 1 = 9 - 2 = 7 - 1 = 6
2. 12 - 5 = 7 - 3 = 4 - 3 = 1
3. 7 - 2 = 5 - 1 = 4 - 4 = 0
4. 5 - 1 = 4 - 2 = 2 - 1 = 1

Which animal is thinking of the lowest number? _____

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Answer Key

Name _____

Compare the sums of the addition problems in each box. Circle the sum that is larger. If they are equal, circle both sums.

2 + 4 = 6	4 + 5 = (9)
3 + 6 = (9)	5 + 1 = 6
4 + 1 = 5	7 + 2 = (9)
2 + 8 = 10	7 + 4 = (11)

3 + 3 = 6	4 + 4 = (8)
2 + 5 = 7	6 + 3 = (9)
4 + 2 = (6)	5 + 1 = (6)
3 + 4 = 7	7 + 6 = (13)

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Name _____

Compare the sums of the addition problems in each box. Circle the sum that is larger. If they are equal, circle both sums.

2 + 9 = (11)	5 + 4 = 9
3 + 1 = (4)	2 + 2 = (4)
1 + 1 = 2	5 + 6 = (11)
3 + 9 = (12)	7 + 1 = 8

1 + 3 = 4	4 + 6 = (10)
2 + 3 = 5	6 + 1 = (7)
3 + 5 = (8)	4 + 4 = (8)
2 + 7 = 9	4 + 7 = (11)

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Name _____

Compare the sums of the addition problems in each box. Circle the sum that is larger. If they are equal, circle both sums.

1 + 2 = 3	5 + 2 = (7)
3 + 2 = 5	6 + 4 = (10)
4 + 3 = 7	5 + 3 = (8)
2 + 10 = (12)	7 + 5 = (12)

2 + 6 = (8)	6 + 2 = (8)
3 + 7 = 10	4 + 8 = (12)
1 + 4 = 5	7 + 3 = (10)
3 + 8 = 11	5 + 7 = (12)

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Name _____

Compare the differences of the subtraction problems in each box. Circle the difference that is smaller. If the differences are equal, circle both of them.

10 - 1 = 9	6 - 1 = (5)
9 - 5 = 4	5 - 3 = (2)
7 - 6 = (1)	4 - 3 = (1)
10 - 6 = 4	3 - 2 = (1)

9 - 7 = 2	7 - 7 = (0)
10 - 2 = 8	8 - 7 = (1)
9 - 2 = 7	7 - 2 = (5)
8 - 1 = 7	9 - 9 = (0)

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Name _____

Compare the differences of the subtraction problems in each box. Circle the difference that is smaller. If the differences are equal, circle both of them.

10 - 5 = 5	4 - 2 = (2)
8 - 2 = 4	9 - 6 = (3)
7 - 4 = (3)	8 - 3 = 5
5 - 4 = (1)	9 - 4 = 5

10 - 9 = (1)	8 - 2 = 6
4 - 4 = (0)	3 - 3 = (0)
8 - 4 = 4	5 - 2 = (3)
10 - 4 = 6	7 - 3 = (4)

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Name _____

Compare the differences of the subtraction problems in each box. Circle the difference that is smaller. If the differences are equal, circle both of them.

6 - 5 = (1)	3 - 1 = 2
10 - 3 = 7	5 - 5 = (0)
9 - 8 = (1)	8 - 6 = 2
8 - 5 = 3	6 - 4 = (2)

10 - 8 = (2)	5 - 3 = (2)
4 - 1 = 3	7 - 6 = (1)
10 - 7 = (3)	9 - 3 = 6
7 - 5 = (2)	5 - 1 = 4

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Answer Key

Name _____

Start with the circled number. Fill in the blank with the correct number for each question.

1. (125)
   - What number is 10 more? 135
   - What number is 1 less? 124
   - What number is 100 more? 225
2. (352)
   - What number is 1 more? 353
   - What number is 10 less? 342
   - What number is 10 more? 362
3. (675)
   - What number is 100 more? 775
   - What number is 100 less? 575
   - What number is 1 more? 676
4. (892)
   - What number is 1 more? 893
   - What number is 10 less? 882
   - What number is 100 more? 992

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Name _____

Start with the circled number. Fill in the blank with the correct number for each question.

1. (236)
   - What number is 100 more? 336
   - What number is 10 less? 226
   - What number is 100 less? 136
2. (175)
   - What number is 1 less? 174
   - What number is 100 less? 75
   - What number is 10 more? 185
3. (222)
   - What number is 1 more? 223
   - What number is 1 less? 221
   - What number is 10 more? 232
4. (313)
   - What number is 10 more? 323
   - What number is 10 less? 303
   - What number is 100 more? 413

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Name _____

Start with the circled number. Fill in the blank with the correct number for each question.

1. (462)
   - What number is 1 more? 463
   - What number is 10 less? 452
   - What number is 100 less? 362
2. (118)
   - What number is 1 more? 119
   - What number is 10 more? 128
   - What number is 100 more? 218
3. (510)
   - What number is 1 less? 509
   - What number is 10 less? 500
   - What number is 100 less? 410
4. (52)
   - What number is 100 more? 152
   - What number is 1 less? 51
   - What number is 10 more? 62

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Name _____

Read each sentence and give the correct number.

1. What number has:
   - 6 in the hundreds place
   - 1 in the tens place
   - 4 in the ones place

   6 1 4
2. What number has:
   - 3 in the ones place
   - 2 in the hundreds place
   - 5 in the tens place

   2 5 3
3. What number has:
   - 0 in the tens place
   - 2 in the ones place
   - 8 in the hundreds place

   8 0 2
4. What number has:
   - 2 in the tens place
   - 5 in the hundreds place
   - 7 in the ones place

   5 2 7

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Read each sentence and give the correct number.

1. What number has:
   - 2 in the tens place
   - 7 in the ones place
   - 3 in the hundreds place

   3 2 7
2. What number has:
   - 1 in the hundreds place
   - 0 in the tens place
   - 4 in the ones place

   1 0 4
3. What number has:
   - 4 in the hundreds place
   - 5 in the tens place
   - 6 in the ones place

   4 5 6
4. What number has:
   - 1 in the ones place
   - 3 in the tens place
   - 7 in the hundreds place

   7 3 1

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Read the sentences and answer the questions.

Sandra picked 12 flowers. She gave 5 of them to Nancy.

1. How many flowers did Sandra pick? 12
2. How many flowers did Sandra have left? 7
3. How many flowers did Sandra give to Nancy? 5
4. If Nancy picks 3 more flowers, how many will she have then? 8

Jim has 3 gray cats, 2 white cats, and 4 black cats.

1. How many cats does Jim have in all? 9
2. If Jim had 2 more white cats, how many white cats would he have in all? 4
3. If Jim gives away 3 cats, how many cats will he have left? 6
4. How many more black cats than gray cats does Jim have? 1

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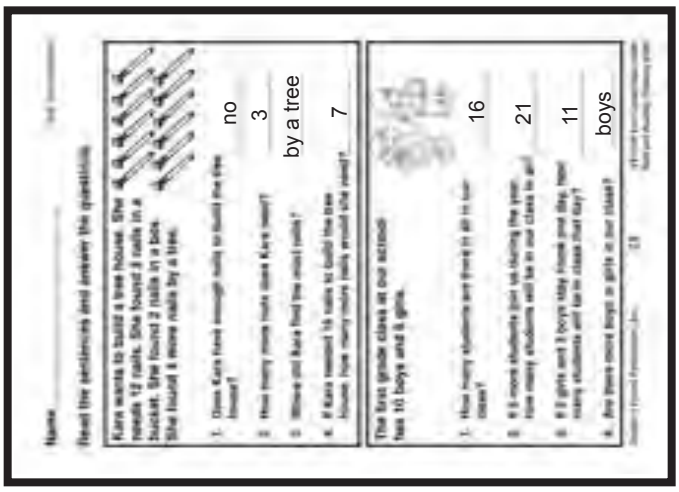

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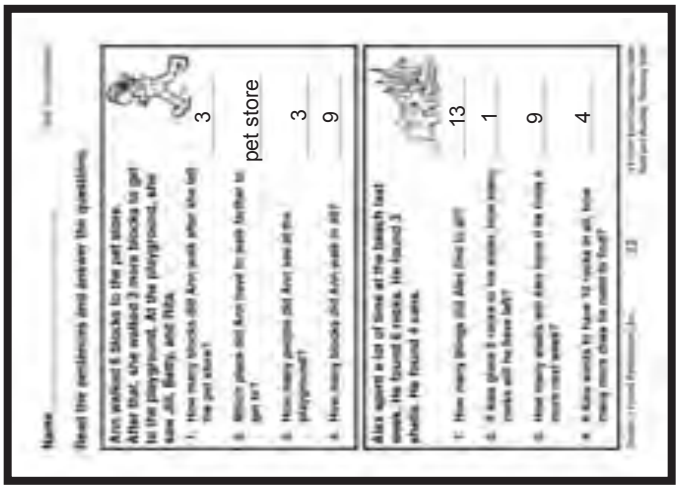

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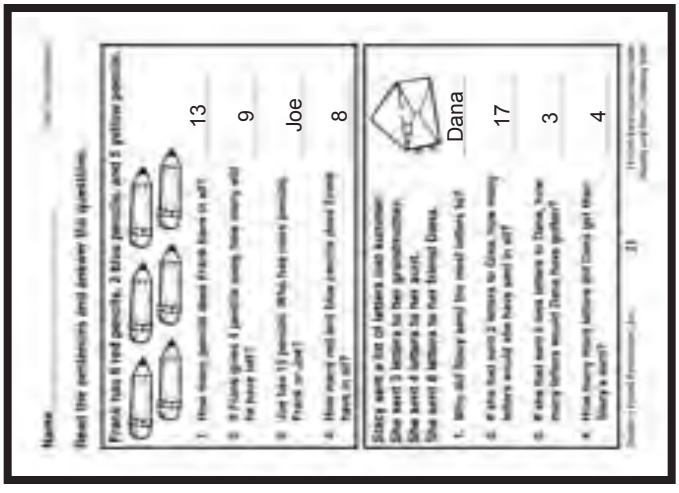

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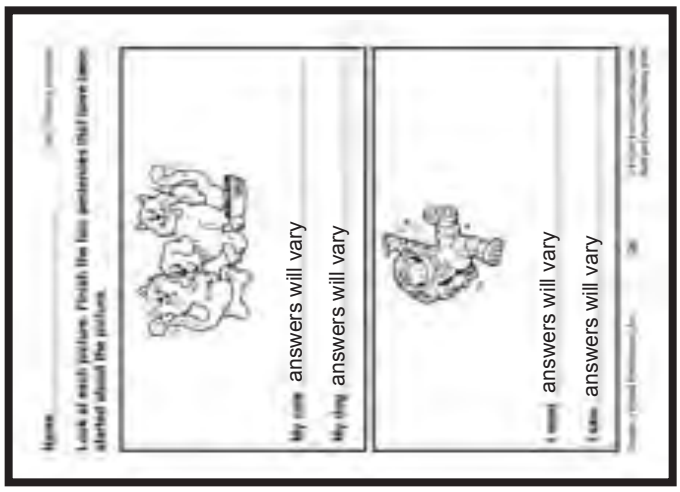

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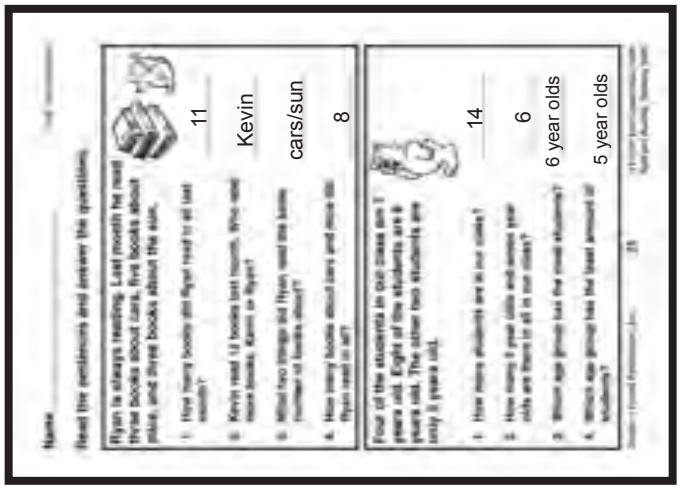

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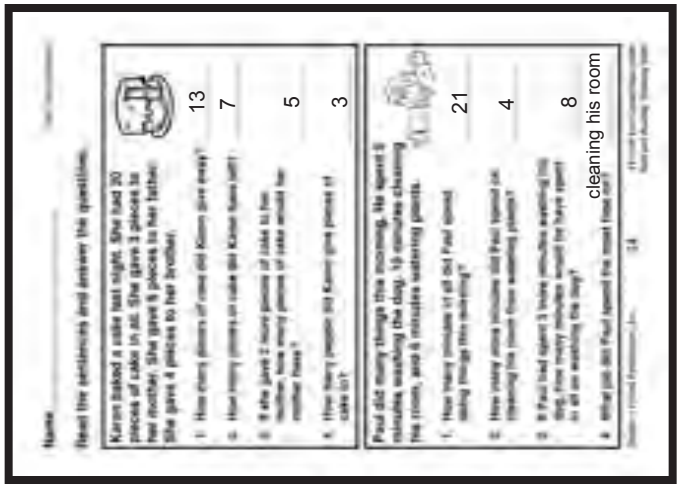

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Answer Key

Look at each picture. Finish the two sentences that have been started about the picture.

Sally rode answers will vary

A big frog answers will vary

Here comes answers will vary

I forgot answers will vary

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Look at each picture. Finish the two sentences that have been started about the picture.

Spot loves answers will vary

Mom gives answers will vary

My front yard answers will vary

When I answers will vary

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Look at each picture. Finish the two sentences that have been started about the picture.

I want answers will vary

My friends answers will vary

Boo the bear answers will vary

He never answers will vary

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Look at each picture. Finish the two sentences that have been started about the picture.

The sky answers will vary

Then I answers will vary

The frog jumped answers will vary

Mom said answers will vary

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Read the sentences in each box. Answer the question that follows the sentences.

I live at the zoo. I have black stripes. I have white stripes. I am about the size of a horse. What animal am I? a zebra	I am something outside. I have a lot of branches. I have leaves. I can give you shade. What am I? a tree
I am in a building. My teacher is here. There are many desks. My classmates are here too. Where am I? a school	I have many pages. There are words on my pages. You can learn things from me. You can read me. What am I? a book

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Read the sentences in each box. Answer the question that follows the sentences.

I am in my bed. All of the lights are out. Now I am dreaming. Soon I will wake up. What am I doing? sleeping	I live on a farm. I am an animal. I like to play in mud. I say "oink." What am I? a pig
I am something way up high. I am smaller than the sun. You can see me at night. People from Earth come to visit me. What am I? the moon	I have a big towel with me. I dry off with the towel. I see a diving board. I see a slide, too. Where am I? swimming

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Read the sentences in each box. Answer the question that follows the sentences.

I am not in school right now. The weather is warm. I am going swimming. My birthday is in July, so it is this month. What time of year is it? summer	I just left my house. The wheels are turning. My feet are on the pedals. I am wearing my helmet. What am I doing? riding a bike
You can drink me. I am good for your bones. I come from cows. I am white. What am I? milk	I am big and yellow. A lot of children ride in me. I have many windows. I can take you to school. What am I? a school bus

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Name _____

Read the sentences in each box. Answer the question that follows the sentences.

I wear a white coat. You can come see me if you are sick. I will make you feel better. My nurse will help me. Who am I? a doctor	I am metal. I am round and silver. You can buy things with me. I am worth ten cents. What am I? a dime
I am playing in the waves. I made a sand castle. I have a raft with me. I found some seashells. Where am I? at the beach	The tub is full of water. I put soap all over myself. Shampoo is in my hair. I will dry off later. What am I doing? taking a bath

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Read each sentence. At the end of each sentence, circle true or false.

1. A frog can run.	true	(false)
2. You can ride in a car.	(true)	false
3. You can sleep in a bed.	(true)	false
4. Ducks say quack.	(true)	false
5. Some apples are red.	(true)	false
6. Bears drive cars.	true	(false)
7. Flowers like to laugh.	true	(false)
8. Some fish live in a home.	(true)	false
9. No one likes Monkeys.	true	(false)
10. All dogs are brown.	true	(false)

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Read each sentence. At the end of each sentence, circle true or false.

1. Reading can be fun.	(true)	false
2. Turtles can write.	true	(false)
3. The moon is made of cheese.	true	(false)
4. You can eat toast.	(true)	false
5. Everyone loves pizza.	true	(false)
6. Teachers work in schools.	(true)	false
7. A fish can fly.	true	(false)
8. Houses can jump.	true	(false)
9. Clouds can smile.	true	(false)
10. A rabbit can hop.	(true)	false

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Read each sentence. At the end of each sentence, circle true or false.

1. A coat will keep you warm.	(true)	false
2. It is fun to have a pet.	(true)	false
3. Eggs get scared sometimes.	true	(false)
4. Paper can laugh with you.	true	(false)
5. A horse can sing.	true	(false)
6. Ice is cold.	(true)	false
7. We can touch the sun.	true	(false)
8. You can write with a pencil.	(true)	false
9. Bears can read.	true	(false)
10. You can sit in a chair.	(true)	false

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Name _____

Read each sentence. At the end of each sentence, circle true or false.

1. Lemons get sad sometimes.	true	(false)
2. We can see with our eyes.	(true)	false
3. Worms can wear glasses.	true	(false)
4. Some paper is yellow.	(true)	false
5. Books are good to eat.	true	(false)
6. Kites fly in the sky.	(true)	false
7. Pigs like to fly.	true	(false)
8. Dogs can drink water.	(true)	false
9. Alligators can dance.	true	(false)
10. You can eat an apple.	(true)	false

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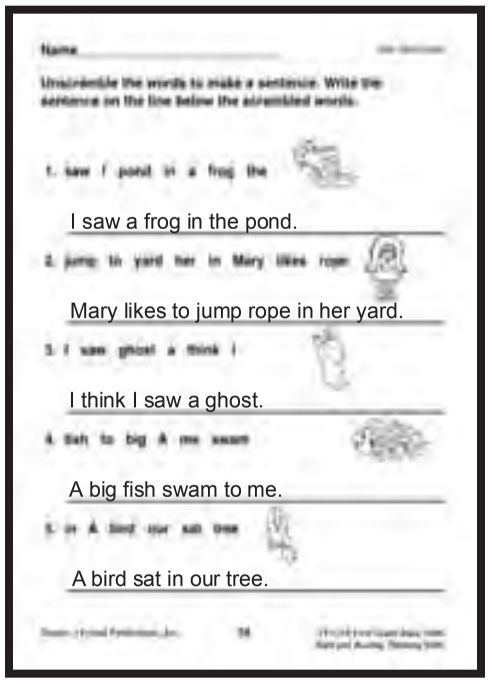

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Unscramble the words to make a sentence. Write the sentence on the line below the scrambled words.

1. saw I pond in a frog the

I saw a frog in the pond.

2. jump to yard her in Mary likes rope

Mary likes to jump rope in her yard.

3. I saw ghost a think I

I think I saw a ghost.

4. fish to big A me swam

A big fish swam to me.

5. in A bird our sat tree

A bird sat in our tree.

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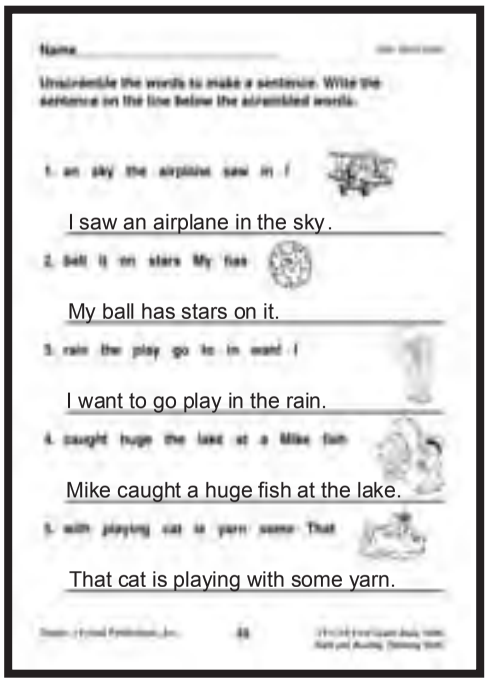

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Unscramble the words to make a sentence. Write the sentence on the line below the scrambled words.

1. an sky the airplane saw in I

I saw an airplane in the sky.

2. ball it on stars My has

My ball has stars on it.

3. rain the play go to in want I

I want to go play in the rain.

4. caught huge the lake at a Mike fish

Mike caught a huge fish at the lake.

5. with playing cat is yarn some That

That cat is playing with some yarn.

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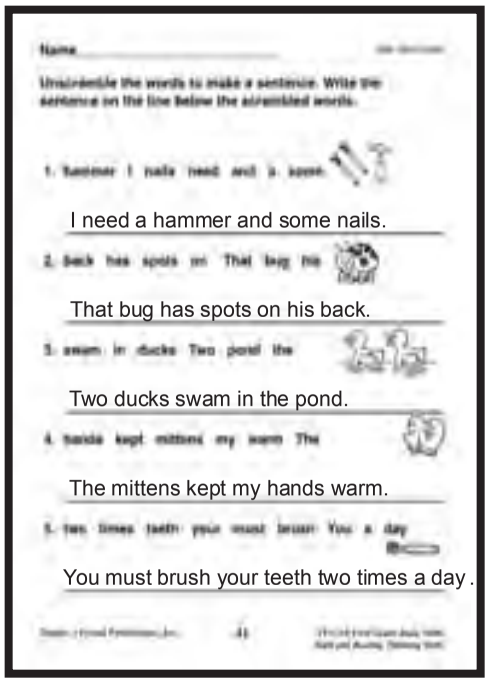

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Unscramble the words to make a sentence. Write the sentence on the line below the scrambled words.

1. Summer I nails need and a some

I need a hammer and some nails.

2. back has spots on That bug his

That bug has spots on his back.

3. swam in ducks Two pond the

Two ducks swam in the pond.

4. beside kept mittens my warm The

The mittens kept my hands warm.

5. two times teeth your must brush You a day

You must brush your teeth two times a day.

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